

- I'm Trisha and I've come all the way from Dearborn Heights to share my son's story with you.
- This is very difficult to share and I ask for your patience.
- When I moved to Jackson 3 years ago with my son, Jayden, I got involved with Work First. Initially, I sent Jayden to my sister's for daycare until she decided she couldn't watch him any longer.
- I then had to rely on the Childcare Network Center and finally found a daycare home provider to watch Jayden for me.
- I asked all of the important questions. I asked the provider if she would be able to watch him at all times along with the other children in her care. She said "yes". She told me she had additional help from her daughter to help with the daycare center. I asked if she was certified in CPR through the state. I was told "yes". I had asked her if she had any problems with her in-home daycare center for as long as she's been in business. I was told "no".
- After interviewing the provider and looking around the home. We both agreed on a day care plan for Jayden.
- A few days later I dropped Jayden off and an hour and 30 mins. went by before I was informed by the provider that Jayden quit breathing.....
- Here's were I tell how seeing Jayden at the hospital with no motion, pale, cold, stiff, eye's half way shut and half open with his eye's rolled upward.... And how that will always affect me.
- A month later, I received an autopsy report indicating that another child had died in the past while in the care of this provider. And that her daughter, who was helping, had never been certified by the state.

- I believe these bills are extremely important for parents to be aware of the past incidents that have occurred in their children's daycare. The "notebook" system does that for parents.
- It's literally saving lives. It brings closure for me so I know my son didn't die in vain. Thank you for letting me share my story today.